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Re: New patent application 37 CFR 1.53(b)
Inventor: Lawson A. WOOD
Title: STAPLE PULLER WITH PLIERS
FOR REMOVING STRAGGLERS

Sir:

1. For purposes of filing the above-identified application, please find attached hereto:
 - (a) The specification, claims, and abstract (7 pages, with the first page being a cover page);
 - (b) The drawings (1 sheet; Figures 1-6); and
 - (c) The inventor's Declaration (2 pages).
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